

CLAIMS

- 5 1. A method of storing visual information comprising:
storing a plurality of visual images;
storing spatial information linked with each of the visual
images, the spatial information associating each of the visual
images with a geographic location; and
10 storing temporal information linked with each of the visual
images, the temporal information associating each of the visual
images with a time.
- 15 2. The method of storing visual information of claim 1 further
comprising a method of accessing visual information, the method
comprising:
receiving an indication of a geographic location;
determining the visual images with linked spatial
20 information corresponding to the geographic location; and
accessing the visual images with linked spatial information
corresponding to the geographic location.
- 25 3. The method of storing visual information of claim 1 further
comprising a method of accessing visual information, the method
comprising:
receiving an indication of a time;
determining the visual images with linked temporal
30 information corresponding to the time; and
accessing the visual images with linked temporal
information corresponding to the time.

4. The method of storing visual information of claim 1 further comprising a method of accessing visual information, the method comprising:

receiving an indication of a geographic location;
receiving an indication of a time;
determining the visual images with linked spatial information corresponding to the geographic location;
determining the visual images with linked temporal information corresponding to the time;
and

accessing the visual images with linked spatial information corresponding to the geographic location and with linked temporal information corresponding to the time.

5. The method of claim 4 further comprising storing voice information linked with at least some of the visual images.

6. The method of claim 5 wherein storing voice information with at least some of the visual images comprises:

receiving an image reference indicating a visual image;
and

receiving audio information;
storing the audio information; and
linking the audio information to the visual image for storage in association with visual image indicated by the image reference.

7. The method of claim 6 wherein the audio information is received over a phone line.

8. The method of claim 7 wherein the image reference is provided over the phone line.

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9. The method of claim 8 wherein the image reference comprises tones.

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10. The method of claim 5 wherein title information and notes information are linked with each of the visual images.

11. An information system for organizing visual information, the system comprising:

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memory storing a plurality of visual images;

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a digital recording system including a computer, associated memory, an input device for receiving audio information, and software for receiving data provided by the input device and storing the data in memory, the data being indexed to at least one of the plurality of visual images.

12. The information system of claim 11 wherein the memory storing a plurality of visual images is external to the digital recording system.

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13. The information system of claim 11 wherein the memory storing a plurality of visual images is associated with a user's computer.

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14. The information system of claim 11 wherein the input device for receiving audio information is adapted to receive audio information over a phone line.

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15. The information system of claim 14 wherein the audio
information includes tones indicative of a one of the plurality
of visual images.

16. The information system of claim 15 wherein the tones
indicative of a one of the plurality of visual images
corresponds to a reference number.

17. The information system of claim 16 wherein information
indicative of a geographic location is indexed to the plurality
of visual images.

18. The information system of claim 17 wherein information
indicative of a time is indexed to the plurality of visual
images.

19. The information system of claim 18 wherein the plurality
of visual images form a linked set of visual presentations.

20. A time/location visual information system comprising:
means for storing a plurality of visual presentations;
means for linking some of the plurality of visual
presentations to form a linked set of visual presentations; and
means for associating a time and location to the linked
set of visual presentations.